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Tell us about yourself...

I'm Emily, I have completed Level 2 and 3 Apprenticeships in Animal Care while working at a dog day care centre.

Why did you choose an apprenticeship?

I chose to do an apprenticeship as it was a route into the industry that allowed hands on experience with animals as well as studying and a qualification. The best of both worlds!

How did you find out about it?

I saw the apprenticeship advert on the gov site and applied through there.



How do you feel you have benefitted from doing an apprenticeship?

I was a slightly older learner, therefore continuing to earn money while being able to change industry and pursue my dream career was perfect for me. I was able to gain all the relevant skills and knowledge to then find a job in the animal industry. Just 4 years ago I started my Level 2 apprenticeship, and I am now working as a supervisor and studying a foundation degree in Canine Behaviour and Training.

What is the best thing about your apprenticeship?

For me, the best thing about doing an apprenticeship was discovering my passion for canine behaviour. This is what my current degree is on and what my job is all about.

What advice would you give to someone looking to come into the industry or looking to start and apprenticeship?

I would highly recommend an apprenticeship to anyone considering this route into their desired industry. I'm an example that it is never to late to change your career and learn new skills!

What would you say to someone who is thinking of doing an apprenticeship?

Go for it! You'll learn new skills, find new interests and get your foot in the door of the industry you wish to work in!